



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Developmental Disabilities Administration

Subject of possible rule making:

The Developmental Disabilities Administration is updating chapter 388-829C WAC, "Companion Homes" and other related rules as may be required to comply with the requirements in chapter 74.39A RCW. This update will also include housekeeping changes to replace outdated terminology and update incorrect RCW and WAC references.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 74.39A.074, "Training requirements for long-term care workers"; RCW 74.39A.341, "Continuing education requirements for long-term care workers"; RCW 74.39A.351, "Advanced training"; and RCW 18.88B.041, "Exemptions from training requirements".

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

The Department is proposing to update and make changes to this chapter related to companion homes. Primary changes will be related to training for providers. Some of the changes should help to resolve confusion between the various training requirements for different types of providers and businesses that fall under training requirements per RCW 74.39A and training exemptions under RCW 18.88B.041.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: N/A

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe)

DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.) Contact:

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